Minutes

The City of Frederick Mayor and Board of Aldermen Workshop

October 23, 2013 3:00 p.m. City Hall Board Room

- I. Mayor Randy McClement presided. Present were Alderwomen Kelly Russell, Karen Young, Carol Krimm and Shelley Aloi and Alderman Michael O'Connor. Also present was City Attorney Saundra Nickols and Legislative Assistant, Lauren O'Malley. Alderman Carol Krimm is absent due to a personal matter.
- II. The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Ms. Gabrielle Dunn led the discussion on the Proposed Amendments to Section 607. The applicant, Frederick Memorial Hospital proposed adding a new subparagraph under paragraph (d), *Modification of Parking Requirements*. Subparagraph (3) will allow the Planning Commission to count offsite parking accessed by a shuttle system towards the minimum onsite parking requirement for uses in the Institutional (IST) Zoning District regardless of the distance from the development site. David Severn, Attorney for the applicant provided additional information. Don Schilling of Frederick Memorial Hospital addressed issues regarding neighborhood parking. This item will move forward to a public hearing. There was no public comment.
- IV. Rachel Depo led the discussion of a proposed ordinance entitled Temporary Street Closures. The ordinance establishes criteria and procedures for the issuance of permits for temporary closure of a street, including lane or sidewalk. David Hahn, Traffic Engineer answered questions regarding the proposed ordinance. This item will move forward to a public hearing and there was no public comment provided.
- V. Aldermanic Comments. Alderman O'Connor commented on the Public Notice that was sent to residents in the Apple Avenue area regarding the sale of parkland. The letter was in response to an unsolicited offer to purchase the park. Alderman O'Connor reiterated that any sale is considered by the Board of Alderman first, and the Board was unaware of the proceedings. He apologized for any alarm that the

letter caused. Alderman Aloi thanked the Code Enforcement Department, particularly Dan Hoffman for his work on vacant and blighted properties.

Alderman Aloi, Mr. Dan Hoffman and Mr. Buddy Singer met with the owner of the 123 N. Market St. property and within 6 weeks of the conversation, building permits had been issued and work had commenced.

Alderman Young reminded that the Annual Veterans Day Observation will be on Monday, November 11th at 11:00 a.m. at Memorial Park. On Saturday, November 2nd, the Afternoon Rotary of Frederick will be having a cleanup at the park to prepare for the Event for those interested in volunteering. Alderman Young reminded us to be especially careful of pedestrians and cyclists as it begins to get darker earlier.

Alderman Krimm attended meetings on the Governor's Local and Regional Transportation Funding Taskforce and continues to advocate for regional funding authority for the Metro, highways and mass transit as well as for taxpayers.

Alderman Russell wondered how much of the progress at 123 N. Market Street was actually due to passing the Board of Aldermen passing the Receivership Ordinance. She thanked the Afternoon Rotary for taking on the service project of preparing Memorial Park. Alderman Russell reminded us that October 23rd is the 5th Anniversary of the death of Mark Bremer, a City Police Officer, who was killed in the line of duty. At the Maryland Municipal League Fall Conference, the City was presented the award for Sustainable Maryland Certified. Alderman Russell thanked Joe Adkins and Pam Reppert, along with the Green Initiatives Team for their work in helping the City to receive the certification.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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